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hour that is gone over return.

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## 8TH ARMY LAUNCHES NEW OFFENSIVE

### Severe Earthquake Rocks Northern Chile

#### Dutch Are Optimistic

LONDON, April 6 (CP)—Dutch circles here declared today that the people of the Netherlands are becoming increasingly optimistic over the outcome of the war and disclosed that the country is full of reports that "scores of British agents" have been landed and are making secret preparations for an Allied invasion. These sources said the wave of optimism sweeping the country is being demonstrated by outbreaks of sabotage and anti-Nazi attacks. Britain was said to have been landing parties of two and three persons during the last six weeks, in spite of the heavy fortifications and vigilant patrols along most of the Netherlands coast; these persons making their way to the interior. Only recently the German radio broadcast a report of similar activities in Norway. German propaganda in the Netherlands is attempting to minimize the role being played by American fliers. Hollanders are told that all air raids have been made by the R.A.F. and that few American planes participated. The Nazi report is that the United States has been unable to get enough aircraft to Britain to attack in force because of the submarine warfare and that those which did arrive proved inadequate.

#### Annual Meeting Of Local C.W.L. Last Evening

Mrs. Stephen Trainor was re-elected president of the Charlottetown sub-division of the Canadian Women's League at the annual meeting which was held Tuesday evening, April 6, in the C.W.L. Hall. Her election was by acclamation. Other officers elected were Mrs. W. J. P. MacMillan, first vice-president; Miss Evangeline Vessey, second vice-president; Mrs. J. H. Blanchard, third vice-president; Mrs. Daniel Kelley is recording secretary. Mrs. J. J. Trainor is corresponding secretary, while Mrs. Ernest McTague was re-elected Treasurer. Councilors are: Mrs. John Pollard, Mrs. Sara Bennett, Mrs. W. J. Coody, Mrs. Mary McDonnell, Mrs. S. G. Peppin, Mrs. C. L. McDonald, Mrs. James Brown, Mrs. Louis Condon. Mrs. J. M. Doucette was convenor of the nominating committee, and Mrs. Frank Walker was chairman of elections. The president addressed the meeting.

#### Prices Board Salaries, Expenses

OTTAWA, April 6 (CP)—Salaries and living expenses paid to its employees by the Prices Board from April 1, 1942, to Feb. 28, 1943, amounted to \$5,227,113, the Board announced today in a return tabled in the House of Commons today by Finance Minister Ialey. Travelling expenses in the same period amounted to \$515,000. Bomb bursts were seen in the target area, which was enveloped in smoke. At dusk, speedy mosquito bombers raided an engine shed and railway yards at Bonet, near Namur, in Belgium. The Air Ministry said only one fighter is missing from the day's operations. In attacks on enemy shipping off the French coast last night R.A.F. fighters and Royal Navy planes damaged three merchant vessels and two small escorting craft, the Air Ministry News Service reported.

### Flanked Nazis



British Gen. Bernard Freyberg, a New Zealander whom Germans reported killed in the 1941 battle of Crete, proved himself very alive by leading the flanking attack on El Hamma, Tunisia, that was responsible for rout of Rommel at Gabes.

### News Briefs

NEW YORK, April 6 (AP)—The Berlin radi claimed tonight that more than 2,000 persons were killed in the American bombing of Antwerp Monday and that nearly 200,000 were injured or are still missing.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 6 (CP)—Strikes involving approximately 325 men broke out late tonight in newspaper and paper mills operated by Price Brothers and Company Limited at the nearby towns of Joliet and Riverbank, and indications that the walkouts would spread within a few hours to Company newspaper mills at Dolbeau and Kenogami.

WASHINGTON, April 6 (AP)—Mayor La Guardia of New York may go into the United States army, but President Roosevelt cast doubt today on the possibility that he will wear the star of a Brigadier General or even the eagle of a Colonel. The President told a press conference he has no plans to nominate La Guardia for a commission.

#### Vetoed U.S. Farm Bill May Be Revived

WASHINGTON, April 6 (AP)—The Bankhead farm bill, vetoed by President Roosevelt on the ground it is inflationary, tonight appeared headed for an uneasy resting place with the Senate Agriculture committee, possibly to be brought up again at some later date. At the end of a day of tense Senate debate, Senator John Bankhead (Dem.-Ala.), author of the measure designed to raise some farm price ceilings, conceded that the two-thirds vote necessary to override the President's veto is lacking. He asked that the bill be sent to the Agriculture Committee, but a vote on his motion was deferred until tomorrow.

#### Air Offensive Against Nazis Simmers Down

LONDON, April 6 (CP)—After 72 hours of the most intensive aerial onslaughts in the war, the allied offensive against Nazi-held Europe simmered down today to daylight sweeps by R.A.F. fighters and fighter-bombers, which attacked railway stations and power stations in France and Belgium. One sweep was made by the Canadian wing in the Dieppe area in France and the Air Ministry said the German defenders destroyed what appeared to be one of their ammunition dumps with their own anti-aircraft fire. Fighter-bombers escorted by fighters attacked an Axis airfield at St. Omer in France and steel works and a power plant at Monteville, near Namur, in Belgium. Bomb bursts were seen in the target area, which was enveloped in smoke. At dusk, speedy mosquito bombers raided an engine shed and railway yards at Bonet, near Namur, in Belgium. The Air Ministry said only one fighter is missing from the day's operations. In attacks on enemy shipping off the French coast last night R.A.F. fighters and Royal Navy planes damaged three merchant vessels and two small escorting craft, the Air Ministry News Service reported.

#### Maj.-Gen. Vanier Arrives in London

LONDON, April 6 (CP)—Maj.-Gen. George P. Vanier, Canada's first Minister to the free government of Nazi-oppressed Europe, arrived in London tonight after a railway journey from a west country airport at which he ended a clipper flight over the Atlantic. The 66-year-old emissary travelled alone. Members of his staff who preceded him were on hand at black-out Paddington Station where representatives of Canada House and some of the governments to which he is accredited welcomed him. The Minister, who visited London in 1941, said he was happy to be here again and was looking forward to working with the governments whose countries have been occupied. "I look upon it as almost a sacred mission," he said. "Because these countries are suffering so terribly."

### War Situation Last Night

By Glenn Babb, Associated Press War Analyst

There is a growing and probably well-founded belief that the United Nations are preparing something highly unpleasant for the Japanese. The latest authority to lend weight to this view is Walter Nash, New Zealand's Minister to the United States, who has attended all recent meetings of the Pacific war council in Washington.

The danger inherent in the best-Hitler-first statement most frequently cited by its critics is the possibility that Japan, given a year or two of comparative immunity from attack against the main body of her "co-prosperity sphere," will become so strong she never can be beaten. It is argued that a mere continuation of attacks against the outer fringes of the Japanese empire, such as Guadalcanal and Papua, will not be enough to interfere seriously with her program for exploiting the riches she has grabbed and putting together a mighty military machine. Although there is some doubt as to Japan's capacity to accomplish this, some experienced observers holding that she lacks the technicians, skilled labor and industrial equipment, there is general agreement that the longer Japan is left in enjoyment of the double screen of the mid-Pacific mandated islands and Formosa, the Philippines and the Dutch Indies.

The growing American and Allied air power in the orient still is unable to strike at the main sea-lanes of the Japanese sphere, the jugular which hugs the coast of Asia behind the double screen of the mid-Pacific mandated islands and Formosa, the Philippines and the Dutch Indies. At this stage, therefore, the United Nations' most effective weapon for striking at that lifeline and interfering with consolidation of the "co-prosperity sphere" is the submarine with which the United States navy already is doing highly important work. This is supplemented by Allied aircraft on the outer fringes where the Japanese still are surprisingly ready to risk considerable amounts of their precious shipping on military adventures. Submarines and planes are cutting down the enemy's tonnage at a rate already something like 10 per cent net a year and are giving promise of increasing this at an accelerating rate.

### 30 Berlin Factories Destroyed In Raid

LONDON, April 7 (Wednesday) (CP)—Thirty Berlin factories, large blocks of centrally-located shops in the center of the city, were destroyed or badly damaged in the R.A.F. raid on the city last night. The air ministry announced today. The official statement said reconnaissance photographs showed that the raid was the most successful ever made on Berlin. The Capital was twice pounded heavily later in the month—so heavily, in fact, that German censorship stopped the seeping of news to the outside world. R.A.F. experts who analyzed the pictures said destruction was heaviest in the districts west and south of the center of Berlin. Two big raids on factories producing roller bearings, telephone equipment, fire control apparatus and other war material caused heavy damage, the ministry said.

### Allied Ship Losses Higher In March

WASHINGTON, April 6 (AP)—Navy Secretary Frank Knox said today Allied ship losses in the Atlantic were considerably worse in March than in February, due to intensified operations of German submarines. February was one of the best months of the war to date, and Knox's comment was regarded as indicating a new peak in sinkings had been reached, but simply that the battle of the Atlantic had taken a turn for the worse. Knox gave no estimate of the total number of U-boats the Nazis have thrown into their spring offensive, but he said that "just as we expected and as I said, it would be there are more German subs out there."

### Relax Restrictions Re Reporting Men Missing In Action

OTTAWA, April 6 (CP)—The censorship directive prohibiting publication of news about members of the armed forces who are reported missing until five weeks has elapsed now has been relaxed. The press censors have informed newspapers that "there will be no objection in future to publication of the bare fact that these men have been reported missing, provided the information has been received officially by next-of-kin and provided no direct or indirect indication is given of the date of the casualty, the locality where it occurred or the unit to which the missing officer or man belonged." As soon as men are reported missing the next-of-kin are notified, as is the case with men killed or wounded. Henceforth the names of men reported killed or wounded appeared in official casualty lists as soon as the next-of-kin received the notices. Names of missing men, however, were kept out of casualty lists for a period of five weeks and newspapers were not permitted to publish them if obtained from other sources.

### Report Big British Ships Leave Gibraltar

LONDON, April 6 (CP)—Departing from the usual practice of screening the movements of British warships, the BBC told German listeners in a German-language broadcast today that "according to news reaching London" the British battleships Nelson, Rodney and Malaya and the aircraft carrier Formidable had left Gibraltar "for an unknown destination." The BBC said the story was not based on an official announcement. The broadcast was interpreted as part of the war of nerves against the Axis.

### Front Line Quality

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### Urge Increased Accommodation At Sanatorium

At a meeting called by the Women's Institute of the Province to consider increased accommodation at the Provincial Sanatorium a committee was named to formulate a plan and see it through to a finish. Those named on the committee were: Mr. D. J. Bonnell, Dr. B. W. Howatt, Mrs. Wm. Much, Mrs. D. J. A. MacMillan, Col. K. S. Rogers, Mr. S. T. Green, Mrs. Walter Leard, Mr. V. A. Ainsworth, Mr. J. E. Dalton, Mrs. George Martin, Mr. Allison MacLean and a representative to be named from Parkdale and from East Royal Institutes. This committee has power to add to its number representatives from other sections of the Province. Dr. B. W. Howatt, Dr. P. A. Creelman and Dr. B. C. Keeney presented facts which showed that

### Lt.-Col. Paton Appointed Area Commandant

Word was received here yesterday afternoon of the promotion of Major J. R. Paton to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel and his appointment to the position of Area Commandant for Prince Edward Island. Col. Paton will also carry on the duties of D.O.C.'s representative. A veteran of the last war, Col. Paton has a distinguished military career to his credit. He went overseas in the Great War as a Lieutenant with the 106th Battalion. He served in France with the 26th Battalion and was wounded at the Battle of Amiens. For meritorious gallantry in that battle Col. Paton was awarded the Military Cross.

### Italian Cruiser Has Brief Career

CAIRO, April 6 (CP)—A new Italian cruiser which had been at sea less than eight hours had been blown off by an Allied submarine. It was disclosed today with the announcement of the award of a Distinguished Flying Cross to Pilot Officer L. E. Philpotts of the Royal Canadian Air Force. The reconnaissance led the Allied submarine to the attack. Middle East Headquarters announced.

### Soviets Make Gains In Donets Front Sector

LONDON, April 6 (CP)—The Russians announced tonight that they have driven the Germans back from one favorable position in a strong counter-attack south of Izyum on the Donets front, and in a broadcast from Berlin acknowledged that the Nazis are on the defensive at one point in this sector. The Red Army counter-attack was launched after the Germans had frequently attacked Russian positions, finally becoming exhausted in stubborn fighting, said the Moscow midnight communique as recorded here by the Soviet Radio Monitor. The Russians also reported sharp fighting in the Chuguev area of the Donets Basin, southeast of Kharkov, a consolidation of Soviet positions on the Smolensk sector of the western front and fighting in the western Caucasus in which Red troops captured a populated place. After noting that "no substantial changes" occurred along the entire front today, the midnight bulletin told of "stubborn fighting" south of Izyum. About 400 Germans were killed, six of their tanks disabled and five of their guns destroyed. Two more German tanks were disabled and four guns destroyed on another sector of this front, the communique said.

### Strikes After Heavy Aerial Preparations

First Objectives Taken By Storm; Mighty Push Is Continuing.

(By Edward Kennedy, Associated Press Staff Writer)

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, April 6 (AP)—Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's British 8th Army, striking out after aerial preparations more crushing than those preceding the victorious attacks on the Alamein and Mareth Lines, opened a new offensive at dawn today against Marshal Rommel's improvised defences at the Wadi El Akarit.

The first objectives were taken by storm and the mighty push to drive the Axis finally out of Africa continued throughout the day and into the night. With clockwork precision, Gen. Montgomery's fighting men moved forward against the entrenched German machinegun and infantry positions at 4:30 a.m. after a fierce bombardment through the night by concentrated British artillery.

At bayonet point British troops smashed into outlying enemy posts and, with veteran tank columns in support, the battle to drive Rommel into the narrow confines of the Tunis-Bizerte bridgehead in Northern Tunisia continued. Excellent flying weather prevailed in Tunisia today. The communique failed to mention air action in connection with the 8th Army's new attack, but there was every reason to suppose co-ordinated Allied fighters, fighter bombers and bombers from bases both to the south and west of the battle area pitched in to hammer Rommel's exposed positions. Yesterday's bag of enemy aircraft shot down was placed tonight at 32, the greatest number ever downed in one day in the African campaign. An unknown number of the 200 Axis planes splattered with bombs when found on the ground on Sicilian airports undoubtedly were destroyed as well.

To the previously announced toll of 46 planes shot down during the day were added four blasted out of the sky shortly after dusk last night by R.A.F. Hurricane pilots who attacked a quartet of tri-motored Italian torpedo planes attempting to sink Allied shipping off the Algerian coast. The biggest event of the day was the double-barrelled operation in which American medium bombers inflicted heavy damage on an enemy convoy in the Straits of Sicily, and whose fighter escort, on the way home from the raid, intercepted a big German transport plane formation protected by Stukas and fighters and shot down 31 in all. Allied losses in this double action were not specifically announced, but total losses for the day were given as 12 planes. Enemy broadcasts claimed 18 Allied planes were downed in the attack on the air.

News from the front reported heavy artillery shelling of German positions along Wadi Akarit. These positions, it now is determined, are stronger than originally believed. Associated Press Correspondent Harold V. Boyle, at the front, reported that a concentration of enemy tanks east of El Guetar had

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### Report Nazis Using New, Fast U-Boat

LONDON, April 7 (Wednesday) (CP)—The Daily Mail's naval correspondent wrote today that the Nazi U-boat fleet is using 21-knot intercepter submarines in the Atlantic to overtake and shadow convoys and guide lurking wolf packs to the attack. The interceptors were described as operating like scout planes and their job was said to be to find targets and mark them for the main attacking force. They only attack themselves when there is little chance of arranging a pack rendezvous, the Mail's reporter said.

High tide this afternoon at 1:33 and tomorrow morning at 2:15. Sun sets this evening at 7:34 and rises tomorrow morning at 6:29. First quarter moon April 12, 11:04 a.m. Summer time 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

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### Toronto Presbytery Refuses S' Side Call

TORONTO, April 6 (CP)—Toronto Presbytery today refused a call from Summerside, P. E. I., to Rev. Charles Carnegie of St. Andrew's Church, Streetsville, Ont. A call from Avenue Road Church to Rev. Donald McMillan of Grand River, N.C., was approved by Presbytery. The call, signed by nearly 100 per cent of the congregation, was presented by Rev. Alexander Hills, interim moderator.

### Shipyard Workers Threaten Strike

QUEBEC, April 6 (CP)—Romeo Cheveau, Quebec organizer of the Canadian Congress of Labor, announced late today that 1,903 employees of a Quebec shipyard voted yesterday to strike if their employers refuse to appoint an arbitration committee to discuss union demands. Nine voted against the strike. The workers, members of the Canadian Union of Coppersmiths and Builders of Iron Ships, are asking for a closed shop and wage rates equal to those paid in Montreal shipyards. They also seek reinstatement of two fellow employees, dismissed by the company recently because of what the workers said was union activities. A similar vote was taken in two other shipyards today, with the result expected to be announced tomorrow. Cheveau said yesterday that 8,000 workers would be involved if all three plants voted in favor of a strike. "We are not voting to strike," he said, "but we are asking for an arbitration committee and it is our right to have it."

### Coming Events

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- Talkies—Montague Saturday, 4-7-31.
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- Loading hogs at Colville, April 8th from 11 until 12:30. D. Leslie MacDowell.
- Loading hogs this week. Albany Thursday afternoon; Emerald Friday until 10 A. M. G. C. Green and A. C. Green. 3-4-W-T-12.
- Loading hogs Thursday, April 8, Summerside, till 1 p.m. Kensington till 3 p.m. Bukman and Bagnall, Hunter River, Friday till noon. Arthur Haslam, Breadalbane, and Gray till 11 a.m. MacEwen. 4-7-31.